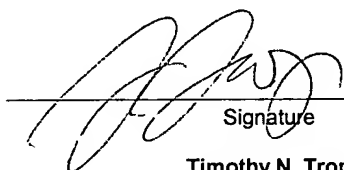


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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF
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Sir:

Pre-appeal review is requested on claims 14-28 only. Pre-appeal review is requested because these claims call for entirely sigma-bonded non-cyclic moieties.

The references cited by the Examiner are silent about whether the moieties are entirely sigma-bonded. While the Examiner points to passages and those passages suggest either single or double bonded connections may be made from the base atom to the moieties, nothing is said about what those moieties that are connected by single or double bonds are made up of. Thus, there is no teaching that all of these elements are entirely sigma-bonded.

Claim 14 calls for a photoacid generator having a base atom coupled to at least three entirely sigma-bonded non-cyclic moieties. The reference suggests using either single or double bonds to bond those moieties at the base atom, but says nothing about how the moieties

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themselves are configured. Therefore, reconsideration of the rejection of claim 14 would be appropriate.

Claim 24 calls for a photoacid generator including a cation that is entirely sigma-bonded. For the reasons just described, this claim also patentably distinguishes.

Therefore, reconsideration is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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